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FOR: MELUSIN, A MUSCLE SPECIFIC PROTEIN, AS A DRUG TARGET FOR
PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF HEART FAILURE

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the pending Office Action mailed May 3, 2006, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.

The **claims** are presented on pages 2-5.

Claims 12-14, 18-19 and 23-24 are amended.

Claims 26-39 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 40-42 are added.

Remarks begin on page 6.